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GEOPOLITICS - IDEOLOGICAL WEAPON OF THE WARMONGERS

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In the arsenal of ideological means being used by the American warmongers to "ground" and justify their plunderous, piratical policy, the so-called geopolitics occupies a prominent place...

Now, when the USA is the main centre of reaction and aggression in the capitalist world, the fascist geopolitics has been taken into the armoury of the American aggressors, who are encroaching on the freedom and independence of all peoples of the earth.

Trying to show that the pretensions of the rulers of Wall Street to world dominion allegedly flow from the geographic position of the USA, the present-day, transoceanic geopoliticians state that "nature herself" has assigned the USA the "mission" of domination over the whole world, has given it the "right" to intervene in the internal affairs of all states, to establish everywhere with the help of weapons the way of life profitable to the American monopolies. Geopolitics is playing a prominent role in the attempts of the aggressive ruling hierarchy of the US to ideologically justify and ground its claims to the role of "world gendarme", its desire to strangle freedom everywhere that this is possible, to liquidate the democratic rights of peoples and to set up a fascist order everywhere.

A typical example of the propaganda of such fascist views, designed to stupefy the peoples with the poison of misanthropy and militarism, is the book published in 1952 in the USA of Professor of political science John Kieffer, "Realities of World Power" (New York, McKay, 1952, p. 336).

The adventurists from the camp of the American warmongers, such as Kieffer, go into a rage at the very word "peace". Seeing how in all countries of the earth the forces of the powerful anti-war democratic front are growing and becoming tempered, they are making every effort in order to confuse the popular masses with lies, to deceive them and to draw them into a new world war.

Kieffer does not conceal the fact that such precisely is the purpose of his book. "If the reader hopes to discover in the book a gleam of hope for peace, then it would be better if he does not read further", Kieffer announces in the preface to his book. The book, he openly states, is devoted to showing that "a future war is inevitable"...

In Kieffer's book those views are vividly expressed which comprise the basis of the present foreign policy course of Washington - a policy of force, of suppression of national sovereignty and of national independence of peoples, of establishing the world domination of the US financial magnates...

Calling for the waging of an even more aggressive foreign political course, Kieffer states that the USA should "boldly apply on an international scale the policy of the big stick".

Kieffer volubly describes what he means by this. Here is what he writes, for example, about diplomacy. While formerly an ambassador was sent abroad "in order to lie" (!), at present - in accordance with the demands of the "total diplomacy" of Washington - an embassy should be a centre of espionage, propaganda and bribery".

However, it is already sufficiently well known that this, pardon the expression, "principle" long ago had already become the main rule for American representatives sent to other countries. It is precisely the American diplomatic representatives in the peace-loving democratic states who come in the role of the main inspirers and organisers of espionage, sabotage against free peoples, and the US government openly finances and directs subversive activity of murderers, spies and their other agents, recruited from the dregs of mankind and sent to the peace-loving countries...

The author of the book acknowledges without a shade of embarrassment that Washington is dooming its West European "allies" to the miserable role of American military places d'armes. For example, he writes about Britain that "its land will be saturated with forces. Its fields and meadows will be transformed into an uninterrupted chain of air bases from which bombers and fighters of the allies will carry out operations against the enemy" (p. 134). To this acknowledgement it only remains to add that the American military already is more and more unceremoniously reducing Britain to the role of a country factually occupied by US armed forces...

The book of the American geopolitician Kieffer is only a fraction of the huge stream of fascist literature which is at present being thrown on the book market by the political rulers of present-day America. It once again shows what a serious danger for the cause of peace and security of peoples the propaganda of a new world war, fanned by the ruling imperialist hierarchy of the USA, presents.

In conditions when the imperialist aggressors, endeavouring to entangle the popular masses in lies, to implant in them inhuman, misanthropic ideas, are stopping short of nothing, the tireless unmasking of the ideology of the warmongers, of their machinations and intrigues, acquires even greater significance...

The Kieffers and obscurantists like them, with their misanthropic concoction, are evoking the indignation of honest people who are persistently struggling for peace. By blackmail and intimidation the American aspirants to world domination count on breaking the will of the peoples for the struggle for peace, for their bright future. But their attempts are in vain.

The forces of the camp of peace and democracy are powerful and organised. In answer to the intrigues of the warmongers, the peace partisans are more and more persistently coming out against the preparation and unleashing of a new war, are raising even higher the vigilance and activity of the popular masses in the struggle for the maintenance and consolidation of peace.

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